

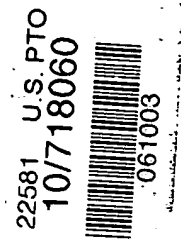


Docket No.: 102258.157US1

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :
L. Gordon LETTS et al. :
Serial No. Not Yet Received : Group Art Unit:
Filed: June 10, 2003 : Examiner:



For: NITROSATED AND NITROSYLATED CYCLOOXYGENASE-2 INHIBITORS,
COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS OF USE

COMMUNICATION

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

On June 10, 2003 the following documents were filed at the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") for the above-referenced application via hand held courier:

- 1.) Transmittal Letter
- 2.) New U.S. Application Claiming Priority to U.S. Application No. 60/387,433, Filed June 11, 2002
- 3.) Executed Combined Declaration for Patent Application and Power of Attorney
- 4.) Assignment Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Executed Assignment

A stamped postcard was returned acknowledging USPTO receipt for these documents. To date, no communication from the USPTO has been received recognizing the above-referenced application. On September 8, 2003, Stephanie Geis, a paralegal at Hale and Dorr, spoke with Monica Young in the Office of Initial Patent Examination at the USPTO to inquire about the status of the application. Ms. Young stated that there was no record of the application at the

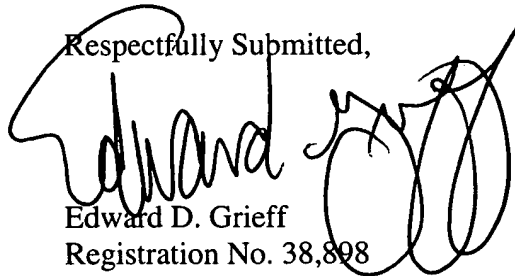
USPTO. Ms. Young further stated that they have been experiencing delays due to their efforts to go paperless, not to resubmit the application at that time and that Applicants should receive communication within three weeks.

On September 29, 2003, Ms. Geis followed up with Ms. Young since Applicants still had not received any communication from the USPTO regarding the application. Ms. Young reiterated that the USPTO was still experiencing delays and not to resubmit the application at that time.

On November 18, 2003, Ms. Geis followed up with Ms. Young again regarding the status of the application. Ms. Young stated that there was still no record of the application being filed and verified that Deposit Account No. 08-0219 was not charged the total filing fee of \$2,644.00. Ms. Young suggested resubmitting the application with a copy of the stamped postcard verifying USPTO receipt.

Applicants hereby submit copies of all documents filed at the USPTO on June 10, 2003 and a copy of the stamped postcard verifying USPTO receipt. Applicants respectfully request that the above-referenced application be considered for a United States patent and be awarded the June 10, 2003 filing date.

Respectfully Submitted,



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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of:	LETTS and GARVEY
U.S. Application No.:	Not Yet Assigned
Filing Date:	June 10, 2003
Entitled:	Nitrosated and Nitrosylated Cyclooxygenase-2 Inhibitors, Compositions and Methods of Use
Attorney Docket No:	102258.157US1

Transmittal Letter

Enclosed herewith for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office are the following documents:

1. New United States Patent Application claiming priority to:

U.S. Application No. 60/387,433 filed June 11, 2002;

entitled: **NITROSATED AND NITROSYLATED CYCLOOXYGENASE-2
INHIBITORS, COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS OF USE**

and naming as inventors: **L. Gordon LETTS and David S. GARVEY;**

the application having 67 pages including:

50 pages of specification; 16 pages of claims; and 1 page of abstract.

2. Executed Combined Declaration for Patent Application and Power of Attorney.
3. Assignment Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Executed Assignment.
4. Return postcard.

The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Claims		Extra Claims	Fee per Claim	Fee Due
105 Total	- 20	85	x \$18	\$1530
4 Independent	-3	1	x \$84	\$84
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee				\$280
Filing Fee				\$750
TOTAL FEE DUE				\$2,644.00

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the filing fee of **\$2644** to Deposit Account No. 08-0219. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any other fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 08-0219 to maintain the pendency of the present application.

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PLEASE STAMP TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF:

APPLICANT(s): LETTS and GARVEY
SERIAL NO.: NOT YET ASSIGNED
FILED: 10 June 2003
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